



Meeting of Research Committee 19  
International Sociological Association

*Social Policies: Local Experiments, Travelling Ideas*

August 20-22, 2009

André-Aisenstadt Hall, Université de Montréal

Session details for RC19 Conference August 20-22 2009

WEDNESDAY - 19 AUGUST

18.00 - 20.00  
Room 1140  
Panel organized by *Social Politics. International Studies in Gender, State and Society*  
*"After the Meltdown: Is there still room for social policy innovation?"*  
Keith Banting, Évelyne Huber, Jane Jenson, and Julia Szalai

20.00  
Area next to  
room 1140

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THURSDAY - 20 AUGUST

8.00 - 9.00  
Registration

9.00 - 10.45  
Room 1140  
Plenary 1  
*Travelling Ideas - carriers and agents*

Chair Jane Jenson, *Université de Montréal* (Canada)

Authors Daniel Béland, *University of Saskatchewan* (Canada) and Mitchell A. Orenstein, *Johns Hopkins University* (USA)

Discussant Sonya Michel, *Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars* (USA)

Paper *"How Do Transnational Policy Actors Matter?"*

Authors Bob Deacon, *University of Sheffield* (UK), Anja Jakobi, *University of Bremen* (Germany) and Alexandra Kaasch, *University of Bremen* (Germany)

Discussant Valeria Fargion, *University of Florence* (Italy)

Paper *"International Policy Networks and Basic Social Needs: Shaping Global Social Policy"*

Author Rune Ervik, *University of Bergen* (Norway)

Discussant Bjorn Hvinden, *Norwegian Social Research* (Norway)

Paper *"A Missing Leg of Ageing Policy Ideas: Dependency Ratios, Technology and International Organizations"*



10.45 - 11.15

COFFEE BREAK

11.15 - 12.45

## Parallel sessions A

Room 1207

## 1. Travelling ideas and new voices

Authors **Bettina Cass**, *University of New South Wales* (Australia) and **Sue Yeandle**, *University of Leeds* (UK)

Discussant **Christina Bergqvist**, *Uppsala University* (Sweden)

Paper *"Policies for carers in Australia and the UK: social policy ideas, practices and their cross-national transmission, social movements, parliamentary inquiries and local innovations"*

Authors **Marta Szebehely**, *Stockholm University* (Sweden) and **Tamara Daly**, *York University* (Canada)

Discussant **Sue Yeandle**, *University of Leeds* (UK)

Paper *"Unheard voices, unmapped terrain: comparative welfare research and paid care for older people in Sweden and Canada"*

Author **Sheila Shaver**, *University of New South Wales* (Australia)

Discussant **Walter Korpi**, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)

Paper *"A Public Sociology for the Mainstream: Jean Martin's sociology for Nation-building"*

*Contributed paper*

Authors **Barbara Hobson** and **Susanne Fehlén**, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)

Paper *"Applying Sens Capabilities Framework to Work Family Balance within a European Context: Theoretical and Empirical Challenges"*

Room 1409

## 2. Knowledge transfer and policy change

Author **Deena White**, *Université de Montréal* (Canada)

Discussant **Caroline Andrew**, *University of Ottawa* (Canada)

Paper *"Network Governance and Democracy: Can Grassroots Participation Influence National Policy Orientation?"*

Author **David Natali**, *University of Bologna* (Italy)

Discussant **Anja Jakobi**, *University of Bremen* (Germany)

Paper *"The Open Method of Co-ordination on Pensions: EU Common Knowledge Production in a nationally-rooted policy"*

Author **Linda Lobao**, *Ohio State University* (USA)

Discussant **Tracy Fenwick**, *University of Oxford* (UK)

Paper *"Decentralization and State Rescaling: The Policy Experiments of Local Governments across the US 2001-2008"*

*Contributed paper*

Author **Ifeanyi Onyeonoru**, *University of Ibadan* (Nigeria)

Paper *"Social policy and the retrenchment of welfare state in Nigeria: between the old and*



*new pension schemes, with lessons from the Nordic model"*

### Room 1411

### 3. Anti-poverty politics - local experiments

Authors **Nanna Kildal and Even Nilssen**, *University of Bergen* (Norway)

Discussant **Claus Wendt**, *Harvard University* (USA)

Paper *"Policy formation, administrative reform and policy measures: the Norwegian case in a European context"*

Authors **Alain Noël and Florence Larocque**, *Université de Montréal* (Canada)

Discussant **Keith Banting**, *Queen's University* (Canada)

Paper *"Aboriginal Peoples and Poverty in Canada: Can Provincial Governments Make a Difference?"*

Author **Kirstein Rummery**, *University of Stirling* (UK)

Discussant **Barbara Hobson**, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)

Paper *"Addressing Women's Poverty at the Local, Regional, National and International Level: Creating spaces for absent voices?"*

12.45 - 14.00

LUNCH AT ROGER-GAUDRY HALL

### 14.00 - 15.30

### Parallel sessions B

#### Room 1207

#### 1. Europe and Europeanisation

Author **Stefan Bernhard**, *IAB Nuremberg* (Germany)

Discussant **Nanna Kildal**, *University of Bergen* (Norway)

Paper *"On the Construction of Social Policy Actors in the European Union - a neo-institutionalist perspective"*

Author **Valeria Fargion**, *University of Florence* (Italy) and **Marco Mayer**, *International Co-operation Office* (Italy)

Discussant **Denis Saint-Martin**, *Université de Montréal* (Canada)

Paper *"The EU and global social policy: discourse and policy practice"*

Author **Julia O'Connor**, *University of Ulster* (UK)

Discussant **George Ross**, *Université de Montréal* (Canada)

Paper *"European integration, Europeanisation and socio-economic convergence"*

#### Room 1409

#### 2. Building new policies of care

Author **Sheila Neysmith**, *University of Toronto* (Canada)

Discussant **Marta Szebehely**, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)

Paper *"House calls: building 21st century community-based care policy"*

Authors **Ingrid Jonsson**, *Lund University* (Sweden), **Anne-Marie Daune-Richard**, *CNRS* (France), **Sophie Odena**, *CNRS* (France) and **Magnus Ring**, *Lund University* (Sweden)

Discussant **Julia Szalai**, *Hungarian Academy of Sciences* (Hungary)

Paper *"Becoming dependent: how is elder care implemented in France and Sweden?"*

Room 1411

### 3. Redesigning social policies across levels

Author Hildegard Theobald, *University of Vechta* (Germany)

Discussant Huck-Ju Kwon, *Seoul National University* (Korea)

Paper *"Restructuring elder care systems in Europe: Policy-field, policy transfer and negative integration"*

Authors Rossana Trifiletti, *University of Florence* (Italy)

Discussant Shih-Jiun Shi, *National Taiwan University* (Taiwan)

Paper *"Local social policies, family policies, models of service systems and their chances to converge or diverge in Italy after 2000"*

#### *Contributed paper*

Author Fiona Williams, *University of Leeds* (UK)

Paper *"Claims and Frames in the Making of Care Policies in Europe: Recognition, Rights and Redistribution"*

15.30 - 16.00

COFFEE BREAK

16.00 - 17.30

Room 1140

### Plenary 2

#### *Imported ideas and their policy consequences*

Chair Daniel Béland, *University of Saskatchewan* (Canada)

Authors Juliana Martinez Franzoni and Koen Voorend, *University of Costa Rica* (Costa Rica)

Discussant Debora Lopreite, *Carleton University* (Canada)

Paper *"Blacks, whites or greys? Conditional transfers and gender equality in Latin America"*

Author Sara Helman, *Ben Gurion University* (Israel)

Discussant Linda Lobao, *Ohio State University* (United States)

Paper *"Imported Policy Ideas and the Initiation of Institutional Change: The Borrowing and Implementation of Workfare in Israel"*

Author Ana Lucia Grondona, *University of Buenos Aires* (Argentina)

Discussant Sheila Neysmith, *University of Toronto* (Canada)

Paper *"How old ideas become new: the ever returning program of 'community development'"*

19.30

RECEPTION AT MONTREAL CITY HALL

*Hosted by the City of Montréal*

FRIDAY - 21 AUGUST

9.00 - 10.30

Parallel sessions C

Room 1207

1. Travelling ideas - agents, processes and mechanisms (mentoring session)

Author Silvia Avram, *European University Institute* (Italy)  
Mentor Bjorn Hvinden, *Norwegian Social Research* (Norway)  
Paper "Safety nets in Central and Eastern Europe: The Influence of External Agents"

Author Cem Utku Duyulmus, *Université de Montréal* (Canada)  
Mentor Stefan Bernhard, *IAB Nuremberg* (Germany)  
Paper "Social Security Reform in Turkey: Different usages of Europe in shaping the national welfare reform"

Author Umut Ozkan, *Carleton University* (Canada)  
Mentor Bernhard Ebbinghaus, *University of Mannheim* (Germany)  
Paper "The Translation of Competing Ideas to the Turkish Welfare-Production Regime"

Room 1409

2. Ideas about family and gender policies

Authors Tommy Ferrarini, *Stockholm University* (Sweden) and Ann-Zofie Duvander, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)  
Discussant Joya Misra, *University of Massachusetts* (USA)  
Paper "Earner-Carer Model at the Crossroads: Reforms and Outcomes of Sweden's Family Policy in Comparative Perspective"

Authors Timo Fleckenstein, *London School of Economics* (UK) and Martin Seeleib-Kaiser, *University of Oxford* (UK)  
Discussant HyeKyung Lee, *Yonsei University* (Korea)  
Paper "The Political Economy of Family Policies: Analyzing Family Policy Expansions in Britain and Germany"

Author Debora Lopreite, *Carleton University* (Canada)  
Discussant Évelyne Huber, *University of North Carolina* (USA)  
Paper "Advancing Reproductive Rights in Conservative Gender Regimes: A Comparative Analysis of Policy Change in Argentina and Mexico"

Room 1411

3. Anti-poverty strategies and instruments (mentoring session)

Author Paula Aguilar, *Universidad de Buenos Aires* (Argentina)  
Mentor Bettina Cass, *University of New South Wales* (Australia)  
Paper "State intervention and famil(ies) definitions in Argentina social policies: Gender mainstreaming and its local translations"

Author Mi Ah Schoyen, *European University Institute* (Italy)  
Mentor Joakim Palme, *Institute for Futures Studies* (Sweden)  
Paper "Pension reform and intergenerational redistribution in Italy and Germany: similar



*solutions, different outcomes"*

Author Jisun Kim, *University of New South Wales* (Australia)  
Mentor Rianne Mahon, *Carleton University* (Canada)  
Paper " 'Self-reliance Program' in South Korea: Focused on the Experiences of the Participants"

10.30 - 11.00

COFFEE BREAK

11.00 - 12.30

Room 1140

**Plenary 3**

*Local experiments and shifting patterns of governance*

Chair Rianne Mahon, *Carleton University* (Canada)

Author Tracy Fenwick, *University of Oxford* (UK)  
Discussant Rianne Mahon, *Carleton University* (Canada)  
Paper "Local solutions to national challenges? The politics of income transfer programs in Brazil and Argentina"

Author Shih-Jiun Shi, *National Taiwan University* (Taiwan)  
Discussant Deena White, *Université de Montréal* (Canada)  
Paper "The Territorial Politics of Social Protection in China: Local Governments as an Emerging Locomotive of Policy Learning and Diffusion"

Authors Kimberly Morgan, *George Washington University* (USA) and Andrea Louise Campbell, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology* (USA)  
Discussant Ann Orloff, *Northwestern University* (USA)  
Paper "Exploring the Rube Goldberg Welfare State"

12.30 - 14.00

LUNCH AT ROGER-GAUDRY HALL

14.00 - 15.30

Room 1207

**Parallel sessions D**

**1. Embedding new ideas - the example of ageing**

Authors Huck-ju Kwon, Jae-eun Hyun, Hyunsub Kum, *Seoul National University* (Korea) and Si-yeon Won, *National Assembly Research Service* (Korea)  
Discussant Trudie Knijn, *University of Utrecht* (Netherlands)  
Paper "Care-giving and Freedom: Evidence from Time-use Survey in Korea"

Author Patrik Marier, *Concordia University* (Canada)  
Discussant Susan McDaniel, *University of Lethbridge* (Canada)  
Paper "Ageing Strategies in the United States"

Authors Joakim Palme, *Institute for Futures Studies* (Sweden) and Ingrid Esser, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)  
Discussant Bernhard Ebbinghaus, *University of Mannheim* (Germany)

Paper *"Do Public Pension Rights Matter for Health and Well-being Among Retired Persons? Basic and Income Security Pensions across 13 Western European Countries"*

**Room 1409**

**2. Ideas about health and healthcare**

Authors Ingallill Montanari and Kenneth Nelson, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)

Discussant Julia O'Connor, *University of Ulster* (UK)

Paper *"Governance of health care: converging trends?"*

Author Claus Wendt, *Harvard University* (USA)

Discussant Daniel Béland, *University of Saskatchewan* (Canada)

Paper *"Ideas and Institutions in the field of healthcare"*

Author Shiri Noy, *Indiana University* (USA)

Discussant Tuba Agartan, *Providence College* (USA)

Paper *"The Welfare State and Health Spending: A Comparative Analysis of Social Spending and Public Health Expenditure in Latin America and Europe"*

**Room 1411**

**3. Rethinking the social, the family and the individual**

Author Silke Bothfeld, *University of Applied Science* (Germany)

Discussant Kirstein Rummery, *University of Stirling* (UK)

Paper *"Revising the 'independent variable problem': individual autonomy as normative core of democratic welfare statehood"*

Authors Sally Bould, *University of Delaware* (USA), Gunther Schmaus, *CEPS/INSTEAD* (Luxembourg) and Claire Gavray, *University of Liege* (Belgium)

Discussant Tommy Ferrarini, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)

Paper *"The Danish Model: the case of partnership dissolution in a cross national comparison"*

Authors Lukasz Czarnecki, *Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México* (Mexico) and Veronica Villarespe Reyes, *Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México* (Mexico)

Discussant Juliana Martinez Franzoni, *University of Costa Rica* (Costa Rica)

Paper *"Never-ending enemy? Poverty in Mexico"*

15.30 - 18.30

FREE TIME FOR PARTICIPANTS

18.30

CONFERENCE DINNER AT THE *POINTE-À-CALLIÈRE MUSEUM*  
*Cocktail, guided tour of the museum and dinner in the Café-Terrasse of the museum.*

SATURDAY - 22 AUGUST

8.30 - 9.30 RC19 General Assembly

9.30 - 11.00 Parallel sessions E

Room 1207

1. Multiculturalism and redistribution

Authors Keith Banting, *Queen's University* (Canada), Richard Johnston, *University of Pennsylvania* (USA), Will Kymlicka, *Queen's University* (Canada) and Stuart Soroka, *McGill University* (Canada)

Discussant John Stephens, *University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill* (USA)

Paper "National Identity and Support for the Welfare State"

Author Christer Gerdes, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)

Discussant Mikko Niemela, *Social Insurance Institution of Finland* (Finland)

Paper "The impact of immigration on the size of government: empirical evidence from Danish municipalities"

Authors Thomas Dejgaard and Christian Albrekt Larsen, *Aalborg University* (Denmark)

Discussant Rune Ervik, *University of Bergen* (Norway)

Paper "Welfare Regimes and Images of the Poor and Welfare Recipients"

Room 1409

2. Ideas in international contexts

Author Rianne Mahon, *Carleton University* (Canada)

Discussant Hildegard Theobald, *University of Vechta* (Germany)

Paper "Transnationalising (Child) Care Policy: the OECD and the World Bank"

Author Wapula Raditloaneng, *University of Botswana* (Botswana)

Discussant Hrvoje Kap, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)

Paper "A comparative analysis of the impact of non-formal education on poverty reduction: implications for North-South cooperation"

Author HyeKyung Lee, *Yonsei University* (Korea)

Discussant Michelle Dion, *McMaster University* (Canada)

Paper "Emergence of Korea as a democratic welfare state: is post-developmentalism sustainable?"

Room 1411

3. Redistribution and social inclusion

Authors Walter Korpi and Stefan Englund, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)

Discussant Alain Noël, *Université de Montréal* (Canada)

Paper "Distributive Institutions as Mediators of Partisan Politics to Household Income Inequality: A Comparative and Longitudinal Analysis"

Author Christian Albrekt Larsen, *Aalborg University* (Denmark)

Discussant Kenneth Nelson, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)



- Paper *"Why social cohesion declines in liberal regimes and increases in social democratic regimes: A comparative study of the USA, Great Britain, Denmark and Sweden"*
- Author Julia Szalai, *Hungarian Academy of Sciences* (Hungary)
- Discussant Bob Deacon, *University of Sheffield* (UK)
- Paper *"Policies of inclusion and exclusion in education: potentials and limitations in an East-West comparative perspective"*

11.00 - 11.30

COFFEE BREAK

11.30 - 13.00 **Parallel sessions F**

*Room 1207*

**1. Changes in life practices and life courses**

- Authors Joya Misra, Michelle Budig and Irene Boeckmann, *University of Massachusetts* (USA)
- Discussant Timo Fleckenstein, *London School of Economics* (UK)
- Paper *"A Cross-National Perspective on Gender, Parenthood and Employment"*
- Authors Susan McDaniel, *University of Lethbridge* (Canada) and Amber Gazso, *York University* (Canada)
- Discussant Bettina Cass, *University of New South Wales* (Australia)
- Paper *"Differences that Amplify: Canadians and Americans in Mid-Life Looking to the Later Years"*
- Author Gholamabbas Tavassoli, *University of Tehran* (Iran)
- Discussant Sally Bould, *University of Delaware*(USA)
- Paper *"The main causes of housekeeping role conflict and women's employment"*

*Room 1409*

**2. Embedding new ideas**

- Author Teppo Kroger, *University of Jyväskylä* (Finland)
- Discussant Silke Bothfeld, *University of Applied Science* (Germany)
- Paper *"Dedomestication and childcare policy: A comparison of care service provisions in fifteen welfare states"*
- Authors Mikko Niemela, *Social Insurance Institution of Finland* (Finland) and Arttu Saarinen, *University of Turku* (Finland)
- Discussant Martin Seeleib-Kaiser, *University of Oxford* (UK)
- Paper *"The role of Ideas and Institutional Change in Finnish Public Sector Reform"*
- Author Hrvoje Kap, *Stockholm University* (Sweden)
- Discussant Paul Bernard, *Université de Montréal* (Canada)
- Paper *"Reform of the Swedish education system in the post-war period as social rights of citizenship"*

*Room 1411*

**3. Neo-liberals, their ideas and practices**

- Author Michelle Dion, *McMaster University* (Canada)

Discussant	Juliana Martinez Franzoni, <i>University of Costa Rica</i> (Costa Rica)
Paper	<i>"Welfare and Redistribution in Latin America: Toward a New Model?"</i>
Author	Noemi Lendvai, <i>University of Bristol</i> (UK)
Discussant	Monique Kremer, <i>Netherlands Science Council for Government Policy</i> (Netherlands)
Paper	<i>"Variety of post-communist welfare: Europeanisation and emerging welfare regimes in the new EU Member States"</i>
Author	Tuba Agartan, <i>Providence College</i> (USA)
Discussant	Ingaliil Montanari, <i>Stockholm University</i> (Sweden)
Paper	<i>"Weak Informal Security Regime, Failing Health Care System: An Alternative Explanation of Reform in Turkey"</i>

13.00 - 14.00

LUNCH AT AGORA MORRIS-ET-ROSALIND GOODMAN (*Jean-Coutu Hall*)

14.00 - 16.00

Room 1140

#### Plenary 4

*Travelling ideas - processes and mechanisms*

Chair	Deena White, <i>Université de Montréal</i> (Canada)
Authors	Bernhard Ebbinghaus and Mareike Gronwald, <i>University of Mannheim</i> (Germany)
Discussant	David Natali, <i>University of Bologna</i> (Italy)
Paper	<i>"International Policy Diffusion or Path Dependent Adaptation: The Changing Public-Private Pension Mix in Europe"</i>
Authors	Bjorn Hvinden, <i>Norwegian Social Research</i> (Norway) and Håkan Johansson, <i>Växjö University</i> (Sweden)
Discussant	Jane Jenson, <i>Université de Montréal</i> (Canada)
Paper	<i>"Supranational and bilateral policy transfer: how does it impact national welfare reform?"</i>
Author	Huck-ju Kwon, <i>Seoul National University</i> (Korea)
Discussant	Ito Peng, <i>University of Toronto</i> (Canada)
Paper	<i>"Policy learning and transfer: the experience of the developmental state in East Asia"</i>
Author	Ann Orloff, <i>Northwestern University</i> (USA)
Discussant	Évelyne Huber, <i>University of North Carolina</i> (USA)
Paper	<i>"Gendering the Comparative Analysis of Welfare States. An Unfinished Agenda"</i>

16.00 - 20.00

FREE TIME FOR PARTICIPANTS

20.00

CONFERENCE DINNER AT A RESTAURANT OF YOUR CHOICE

*Dinner in small groups at one of the restaurants suggested by the organizers.*